that Macbeth was a " trembler when opposed by his conscience, a warrior when defied- by his foes.'[1]

August. — (At Winchelsea.) We drove to Cliffe End. Henry got the old pony along at a spanking rate, but I had to seize the reins now and again to save us from sudden death.

Augttst 14. — Drove to Tenterden. Saw Clowes's Marionettes.

(Henry saw one of their play-bills in a shop window, but found that the performances only took place in the evening. He found out the proprietor and asked him what were the takings on a good night. The man said £5, 1 think. Henry asked him if he would give him a special show for that sum. He was delighted. Henry and I and my daughter Edy and Fussie sat in solemn state in the empty tent and watched the show, which was most ingenious and clever. Clowes's Marionettes are still " on the road," but ever since that " command " performance of Henry's at Tenterden their bill has had two extra lines :

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and
Miss ELLEN

September. — "Method," (inlastactof "Ravenswood"), -'to keep very still, and feel it all quietly and deeply/[1] George Meredith, speaking of Romance, says : " The young who avoid that region, escape the title of Fool at the cost of a Celestial Crown." Good 1

December. — Mr. Gladstone behind the scenes. He likes the last act very much*.

January 14, 1892. — Prince Eddie died. Cardinal Manning died.

January 18. — (Just after successful production of "Henry VIII.") H. I. is hard at work, studying " Lear." This is what only a great man would do -at such a

moment hi the hottest blush of success. No "swelled head " — only fervent endeavour to do better work. The fools hardly conceive what he is.